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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97, applicants hereby make of record
the references listed in the accompanying Form PTO-1449. Copies of these references are
enclosed.

Included in these references are the International Search Report and the International Preliminary Examination Report in PCT/EP98/05106, the priority international application of the instant application.

It is respectfully requested that the Examiner (1) fully consider the enclosed references during the examination of this application; (2) initial the enclosed copy of Form PTO-1449 in the appropriate places to indicate that the references have been considered; and (3) return a copy of the initialed Form to the undersigned in accordance with MPEP §§ 609 and 2001.06(b).

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed concurrently with the application. Therefore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no fee is required in connection with this Statement.

Respectfully submitted,



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